

Please Amend the Claims as Follow:

Claims 1 – 25 (canceled)

26. (currently amended) A method of manufacturing a leaf display device using an apparatus comprising a broadleaf stem holder, said broadleaf stem holder comprising a recess sized to admit at least one stacked broadleaf stem, said method comprising the steps of:

- A. Positioning a top leaf on a broadleaf stem substantially co-linear with said broadleaf stem;
- B. Positioning a leaf adjacent said top leaf substantially parallel to, and partially on top of said top leaf;
- C. Positioning a leaf adjacent the leaves already stacked substantially parallel to, and partially on top of the previously stacked leaves; ~~and~~
- D. Repeating the previous step until all leaves desired to be stacked have been stacked[.]; and
- E. Placing one said stacked broadleaf stem into said recess, whereby said stacked broadleaf stem is held in the stacked configuration, ready for later assembly into a leaf display device.

27. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 26 comprising the further step of removing said stacked broadleaf stem from said broadleaf stem holder and attaching said stacked broadleaf stem to a leaf display device frame.

28. (original) The method of manufacturing a leaf display device of claim 27 comprising the further step of placing at least one said broadleaf stem holder on a transportation device,

transporting said at least one broadleaf stem holder to a leaf display device assembly location, and attaching at least one said stacked broadleaf stem to a leaf display device frame.

29. (previously presented) A method of manufacturing a leaf display device comprising the steps of:

- A. Positioning a top leaf on a broadleaf stem substantially co-linear with said broadleaf stem;
- B. Positioning a leaf adjacent said top leaf substantially parallel to, and partially on top of said top leaf;
- C. Positioning a leaf adjacent the leaves already stacked substantially parallel to, and partially on top of the previously stacked leaves; and
- D. Repeating the previous step until all leaves desired to be stacked have been stacked.
- E. Placing a leaf display device inverted in a drying area, drying for three days at a temperature substantially equal to $85 - 90$ degrees F ± 5 degrees and a relative humidity equal to $30\% \pm 10\%$, and then turning the leaf display device right side up for an additional day of drying under the same conditions.

30. (cancelled)